

## Supplemental Budget Talking Points

### Funds are Necessary

- We must provide our troops with whatever they need to protect themselves and complete their mission.
- The United States will stand with the Iraqi people and against the terrorists trying desperately to block democracy and the advance of human rights.
- Other important funding in the emergency request includes resources to seize the opportunity to build peace and democracy in the Middle East, to continue helping nations affected by the tsunamis, and to address other unforeseen needs.

### Why is War Funding not included in the Budget?

- Base funding costs for our military are included in the budget.
- Supplemental funding is used to separate what is part of the permanent base costs of our national security and what is related to the unique demands the military faces today.
- It would be inappropriate to add the war costs to the baseline of the budget; we do not know what they will be in the future.

### Bi-Partisan

- Congress has consistently voted to support our troops in a strong bi-partisan fashion and it's my hope we will do so again.

## RPC TALKING POINTS:

### John Bolton – Bringing A Reform Agenda to the U.N.

*“John Bolton is personally committed to the future success of the United Nations and he will be a strong voice for reform at a time when the United Nations has begun to reform itself to help meet the challenging agenda before the international community. John will also help to build a broader base of support here in the United States for the UN and its mission. As Secretary General Annan has said, ‘U.S. support for the UN is critical to the success of this institution.’ The United States will continue to do its part.” – Secretary Condoleezza Rice, March 7, announcing Bolton’s nomination.*

- Authored a detailed UN Reform Agenda: John Bolton long has been an advocate of UN reform. While serving as the Assistant Secretary for International Organizations, he detailed his concept of a “Unitary UN” that sought to ensure management and budget reforms across the UN System, not just the UN Secretariat.
- Advocated Reform of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA): As the Under Secretary for Arms Control and International Security, John Bolton led the efforts to implement the President’s strong agenda to counter nonproliferation, including reform of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA). John Bolton led the successful effort to gain support of the Leaders of G-8 nations at their summit at Sea Island in June 2004 for the President’s proposals to create a Special Committee of the IAEA Board to focus on safeguards and verification of nuclear programs, and to establish the principle that countries under investigation should not be allowed to serve on the IAEA Board or the new Special Committee.
- Worked to Ensure UN Respect for All Religions: As Assistant Secretary for International Organizations, he led the effort to repeal the odious UN Resolution equating Zionism with Racism. Served as a member of the Commission on Religious Freedom.
- Reform of the OPCW: Helped bring about new leadership to improve the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW).
- Developed New Ways to Tackle the Challenges of WMD Proliferation: As the Under Secretary for Arms Control and International Security, John Bolton shaped the Administration’s novel approaches to countering the threat of WMD proliferation, including the Proliferation Security Initiative, the Global Partnership, and UN Security Council Resolution 1540.